St. Andrew’s

Episcopal Church



***The Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost***

***September 19, 2021***

**Morning Prayer Rite II ~ 9am**

“Do not neglect hospitality, for through it some have unknowingly entertained angels." (Heb. 13:1). We warmly welcome all who worship with us today. Children are welcome in worship. Our Ushers will be glad to assist you. Join us for fellowship after the service. Please complete a Visitor's Sheet found in the pew or on the Guest Book at the back of the church. By completing a sheet you will receive our newsletter and welcome information.

**Morning Prayer Rite II**

***Book of Common Prayer, page 75***

**Officiant – Susan Bennett**

**Sermon – Dee McRae**

*The Officiant begins the service with the following words:*

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and from the Lord  
Jesus Christ.    Philippians 1:2

I was glad when they said to me, "Let us go to the house of  
the Lord."    Psalm 122:1

**Confession of Sin**

*The Officiant says to the people*

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor. *Silence may be kept.*

*Officiant and People together, all kneeling*

**Most merciful God,  
we confess that we have sinned against you  
in thought, word, and deed,  
by what we have done,  
and by what we have left undone.  
We have not loved you with our whole heart;  
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.  
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.  
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,  
have mercy on us and forgive us;  
that we may delight in your will,  
and walk in your ways,  
to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

*The Officiant alone stands and says*

Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us all our sins  
through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen us in all  
goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in  
eternal life. *Amen.*

**The Invitatory and Psalter**

*All stand*

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| Officiant | Lord, open our lips. |
| People | **And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.** |

*Officiant and People*

**Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as  
it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.**

*Said by all, standing*

**Venite     Psalm 95:1-7**

**Come, let us sing to the Lord; \*  
    let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation.  
Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving \*  
    and raise a loud shout to him with psalms.**

**For the Lord is a great God, \*  
    and a great King above all gods.  
In his hand are the caverns of the earth, \*  
    and the heights of the hills are his also.  
The sea is his, for he made it, \*  
    and his hands have molded the dry land.**

**Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee, \*  
    and kneel before the Lord our Maker.  
For he is our God,  
and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand. \*  
    Oh, that today you would hearken to his voice!**

### ****The Psalm**** 1 *(The people respond at the bolded verses.)*

1 Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel of the wicked, \*  
**nor lingered in the way of sinners,  
nor sat in the seats of the scornful!**

2 Their delight is in the law of the Lord, \*  
**and they meditate on his law day and night.**

3 They are like trees planted by streams of water,  
bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that do not wither; \*  
**everything they do shall prosper.**

4 It is not so with the wicked; \*  
**they are like chaff which the wind blows away.**

5 Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when judgment comes, \*  
**nor the sinner in the council of the righteous.**

6 For the Lord knows the way of the righteous, \*  
**but the way of the wicked is doomed.**

*At the end of the Psalms is sung or said*

**Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: \*  
    as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.**

**The First Lesson**

*The Reader says*

**A Reading from the Epistle of James 3: 13-4:3, 7-8a**

Who is wise and understanding among you? Show by your good life that your works are done with gentleness born of wisdom. But if you have bitter envy and selfish ambition in your hearts, do not be boastful and false to the truth. Such wisdom does not come down from above, but is earthly, unspiritual, devilish. For where there is envy and selfish ambition, there will also be disorder and wickedness of every kind. But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, willing to yield, full of mercy and good fruits, without a trace of partiality or hypocrisy. And a harvest of righteousness is sown in peace for those who make peace. Those conflicts and disputes among you, where do they come from? Do they not come from your cravings that are at war within you? You want something and do not have it; so you commit murder. And you covet something and cannot obtain it; so you engage in disputes and conflicts. You do not have, because you do not ask. You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, in order to spend what you get on your pleasures. Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you.

*After the reading, the Reader says*

The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

*Said by all, standing*

**9**    **The First Song of Isaiah**

**Surely, it is God who saves me; \*  
    I will trust in him and not be afraid.  
For the Lord is my stronghold and my sure defense, \*  
    and he will be my Savior.  
Therefore you shall draw water with rejoicing \*  
    from the springs of salvation.  
And on that day you shall say, \*  
    Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his Name;  
Make his deeds known among the peoples; \*  
    see that they remember that his Name is exalted.  
Sing the praises of the Lord, for he has done great things, \*  
    and this is known in all the world.  
Cry aloud, inhabitants of Zion, ring out your joy, \*  
    for the great one in the midst of you is the Holy One of Israel.**

**Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: \*  
    as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.**

**The Second Lesson**

*The Reader says*

**A Reading from the Gospel of Mark 9: 30-37**

Jesus and his disciples passed through Galilee. He did not want anyone to know it; for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, “The Son of Man is to be betrayed into human hands, and they will kill him, and three days after being killed, he will rise again.” But they did not understand what he was saying and were afraid to ask him. Then they came to Capernaum; and when he was in the house he asked them, “What were you arguing about on the way?” But they were silent, for on the way they had argued with one another who was the greatest. He sat down, called the twelve, and said to them, “Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all.” Then he took a little child and put it among them; and taking it in his arms, he said to them, “Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me.”

The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

**Sermon Dee McRae**

**The Apostles' Creed**

*Officiant and People together, all standing*

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
    creator of heaven and earth;  
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.  
    He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit  
        and born of the Virgin Mary.  
    He suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
        was crucified, died, and was buried.  
    He descended to the dead.  
    On the third day he rose again.  
    He ascended into heaven,  
        and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
    He will come again to judge the living and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
    the holy catholic Church,  
    the communion of saints,  
    the forgiveness of sins  
    the resurrection of the body,  
    and the life everlasting. Amen.**

**The Prayers** *The People stand or kneel*

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| *Officiant* | The Lord be with you. |
| *People* | **And also with you.** |
| *Officiant* | Let us pray. |

*Officiant and People*

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| **Our Father, who art in heaven,      hallowed be thy Name,      thy kingdom come,      thy will be done,          on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses,      as we forgive those          who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation,      but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom,      and the power, and the glory,      for ever and ever. Amen.** |  |

*Then follows one of these sets of Suffrages*

V.    Show us your mercy, O Lord;  
**R.    And grant us your salvation.**V.    Clothe your ministers with righteousness;  
**R.    Let your people sing with joy.**V.    Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;  
**R.    For only in you can we live in safety.**

V.    Lord, keep this nation under your care;  
**R.    And guide us in the way of justice and truth.**V.    Let your way be known upon earth;  
**R.    Your saving health among all nations.**V.    Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;  
**R.    Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.**V.    Create in us clean hearts, O God;  
**R.    And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.**

*The Officiant then says one or more of the following Collects*

***The Collect of the Day***

Grant us, Lord, not to be anxious about earthly things, but to love things heavenly; and even now, while we are placed among things that are passing away, to hold fast to those that shall endure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

***A Collect for Sundays***

O God, you make us glad with the weekly remembrance of  
the glorious resurrection of your Son our Lord: Give us this  
day such blessing through our worship of you, that the week  
to come may be spent in your favor; through Jesus Christ our  
Lord. **Amen.**

***A Collect for the Renewal of Life***

O God, the King eternal, whose light divides the day from the  
night and turns the shadow of death into the morning: Drive  
far from us all wrong desires, incline our hearts to keep your  
law, and guide our feet into the way of peace; that, having  
done your will with cheerfulness during the day, we may,  
when night comes, rejoice to give you thanks; through Jesus  
Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

***A Collect for Peace***

O God, the author of peace and lover of concord, to know  
you is eternal life and to serve you is perfect freedom: Defend  
us, your humble servants, in all assaults of our enemies; that  
we, surely trusting in your defense, may not fear the power of  
any adversaries; through the might of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

***A Collect for Grace***

Lord God, almighty and everlasting Father, you have  
brought us in safety to this new day: Preserve us with your  
mighty power, that we may not fall into sin, nor be overcome  
by adversity; and in all we do, direct us to the fulfilling of  
your purpose; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

***A Collect for Guidance***

Heavenly Father, in you we live and move and have our  
being: We humbly pray you so to guide and govern us by  
your Holy Spirit, that in all the cares and occupations of our  
life we may not forget you, but may remember that we are  
ever walking in your sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*Then one of these prayers for mission is added*

O God, you have made of one blood all the peoples of the  
earth, and sent your blessed Son to preach peace to those  
who are far off and to those who are near: Grant that people  
everywhere may seek after you and find you; bring the  
nations into your fold; pour out your Spirit upon all flesh;  
and hasten the coming of your kingdom; through Jesus  
Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Lord Jesus Christ, you stretched out your arms of love on  
the hard wood of the cross that everyone might come within  
the reach of your saving embrace: So clothe us in your Spirit  
that we, reaching forth our hands in love, may bring those  
who do not know you to the knowledge and love of you; for  
the honor of your Name. **Amen.**

*Authorized intercessions and thanksgivings may follow.*

*Before the close of the Office one or both of the following may be used*

***The General Thanksgiving***

*Officiant and People*

**Almighty God, Father of all mercies,  
we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks  
for all your goodness and loving-kindness  
to us and to all whom you have made.  
We bless you for our creation, preservation,  
and all the blessings of this life;  
but above all for your immeasurable love  
in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ;  
for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.  
And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies,  
that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise,  
not only with our lips, but in our lives,  
by giving up our selves to your service,  
and by walking before you  
in holiness and righteousness all our days;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,  
be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.**

***A Prayer of St. Chrysostom***

**Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one  
accord to make our common supplication to you; and you  
have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two  
or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the  
midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions  
as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of  
your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. Amen.**

*Then may be said*

Let us bless the Lord.  
***Thanks be to God.***

*The Officiant may then conclude with one of the following*

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and  
the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore.  
**Amen.**    *2 Corinthians 13:14*

May the God of hope fill us with all joy and peace in  
believing through the power of the Holy Spirit. **Amen***.* *Romans 15:13*

Glory to God whose power, working in us, can do infinitely  
more than we can ask or imagine: Glory to him from  
generation to generation in the Church, and in Christ Jesus  
for ever and ever. **Amen.**    *Ephesians 3:20,21*

**Announcements**

**Dismissal**

*Officiant* Go in Peace to love and serve the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God. Amen.**